

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed on September 23, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 6-52.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see page 17, filed on September 21, 2005, with respect to claims 6-44 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 6-44 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 6-52 are allowed:

Reasons for Allowance

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

The prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, does not teaches the construction of:

a power source as described on:

independent claim 6, comprising: a sensor and a wireless transmitter which transmits a signal that varies with the output of said sensor;

independent claim 8, comprising: a sensor and a data storage device which stores data that varies with the output of said sensor;

independent claim 9, comprising: a sensor and a wireless transceiver which transmits a signal which varies with the output of said sensor;

independent claim 10, comprising: an air pressure sensor; and

independent claims 13 and 38, comprising: a closed nonmagnetic tube, said coil affixed to the exterior of said tube, said magnet and bearing enclosed within said tube such that said magnet is in contact with and supported by said

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bearing and is free to move within said tube such that said magnet and said coil move with respect to each other when said movable structure is in motion such that an electrical current is produced in said coil; and

a wireless tire pressure monitoring system as described on independent claim 45, comprising:

an autonomous power source;

an air pressure sensor for sensing the air pressure within a tire mounted on said wheel;

a data storage and/or wireless transmitter circuit which stores and/or transmits data which varies with said sensor output;

a rechargeable battery connected to power said circuit; and

an interface circuit connected to receive said electrical current and to provide energy to recharge said rechargeable battery.

Dependent claims 7, 11, 12, 14-37, 39-44n and 46-52 are considered allowable subject matter by their respective dependence on dependent claims 6, 8-10, 13, 38, and 45.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. See PTO-892.

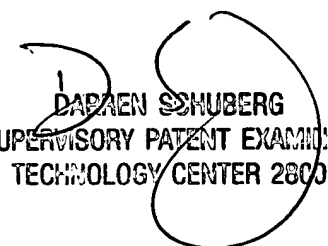
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pedro J. Cuevas whose telephone number is (571) 272-2021. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:30 - 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Darren Schuberg can be reached on (571) 272-2044. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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